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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

(currently amended) A vehicle alert kit comprising:

at least one base member having a substantially planar bottom surface for resting on a surface, said at least one base member having a centrally disposed axis traversing therethrough and further having a threaded opening centered about the axis;

means for fastening said at least one base member to a surface so that said at least one base member can be maintained at a substantially secure position;

an elongated support member having a lower end portion threadably attachable to a select one of said at least one base member, said elongated support member extending substantially vertically and upwardly from said at least one base member to a predetermined height, said elongated support member including a receiving portion extending substantially vertically along a length thereof and having a bottom surface; and

a flag having indicia printed thereon and including an edge portion selectively engageable with said receiving portion and positionable on said bottom surface thereof so that said flag can be maintained in a substantially stable position, said edge portion being positionable within said receiving portion in a substantially vertical direction and substantially parallel to the axis:

wherein said fastening means comprises an elongated anchor member having a substantially rectangular shape and including a threaded fastening member extending upwardly therefrom and being securable to said at least one base member, said anchor member further including a plurality of arms extending outwardly and downwardly from said anchor member and for gripping a support structure therebetween, said plurality of arms are pivotal between engaged and disengaged positions; and

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a plurality of support members pivotally connected to opposed end portions of said anchor member, said plurality of support members including a plurality of hinges connected thereto and for allowing said plurality of support members to be moved between folded and extended positions.

2. (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 1, wherein said fastening means comprises:

a magnet secured to said bottom surface of said at least one base member.

## 3. (canceled)

- 4. (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 1, wherein said receiving portion is integral with said support member and extends outwardly therefrom, said receiving member having a groove for allowing said flag to be selectively positioned along a length thereof.
- 5. (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 1, wherein said flag extends outwardly and away from said support member when said edge portion is disposed within said receiving portion.
- (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 1, wherein said receiving portion comprises a plurality of arcuate portions integral with said support member and converging outwardly therefrom.
  - (currently amended) A vehicle alert kit comprising:

at least one base member having a substantially planar bottom surface for resting on a surface, said at least one base member having a centrally disposed axis traversing therethrough and further having a threaded opening centered about the axis;

means for fastening said at least one base member to a surface so that said at least one base member can be maintained at a substantially secure position;

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an elongated support member having a lower end portion threadably attachable to a select one of said at least one base member, said elongated support member extending substantially vertically and upwardly from said base member to a predetermined height, said elongated support member including a receiving portion extending substantially vertically along a length thereof and having a bottom surface; and

a flag having indicia printed thereon and including an edge portion selectively engageable with said receiving portion and positionable on said bottom surface thereof so that said flag can be maintained in a substantially stable position, said edge portion being positionable within said receiving portion in a substantially vertical direction and substantially parallel to the axis;

said receiving portion being integral with said support member and extending outwardly therefrom, said receiving member having a groove for allowing said flag to be selectively positioned along a length thereof;

wherein said fastening means comprises an elongated anchor member having a substantially rectangular shape and including a threaded fastening member extending upwardly therefrom and being securable to said at least one base member, said anchor member further including a plurality of arms extending outwardly and downwardly from said anchor member and for gripping a support structure therebetween, said plurality of arms are pivotal between engaged and disengaged positions; and

a plurality of support members pivotally connected to opposed end portions of said anchor member, said plurality of support members including a plurality of hinges connected thereto and for allowing said plurality of support members to be moved between folded and extended positions.

- 8. (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 7, wherein said fastening means comprises:
  - a magnet secured to said bottom surface of said at least one base member.
  - (canceled)

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- 10. (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 7, wherein said flag extends outwardly and away from said support member when said edge portion is disposed within said receiving portion.
- 11. (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 7, wherein said receiving portion comprises a plurality of arcuate portions integral with said support member and converging outwardly therefrom.
  - 12. (currently amended) A vehicle alert kit comprising:

at least one base member having a substantially planar bottom surface for resting on a surface, said at least one base member having a centrally disposed axis traversing therethrough and further having a threaded opening centered about the axis;

means for fastening said at least one base member to a surface so that said at least one base member can be maintained at a substantially secure position;

an elongated support member having a lower end portion threadably attachable to a select one of said at least one base member, said elongated support member extending substantially vertically and upwardly from said base member to a predetermined height, said elongated support member including a receiving portion extending substantially vertically along a length thereof and having a bottom surface; and

a flag having indicia printed thereon and including an edge portion selectively engageable with said receiving portion and positionable on said bottom surface thereof so that said flag can be maintained in a substantially stable position, said edge portion being positionable within said receiving portion in a substantially vertical direction and substantially parallel to the axis:

said receiving portion being integral with said support member and extending outwardly therefrom, said receiving member having a groove for allowing said flag to be selectively positioned along a length thereof, said receiving portion further including a plurality of arcuate portions integral with said support member and converging outwardly therefrom;

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wherein said fastening means comprises an elongated anchor member having a substantially rectangular shape and including a threaded fastening member extending upwardly therefrom and being securable to said at least one base member, said anchor member further including a plurality of arms extending outwardly and downwardly from said anchor member and for gripping a support structure therebetween, said plurality of arms are pivotal between engaged and disengaged positions; and

a plurality of support members pivotally connected to opposed end portions of said anchor member, said plurality of support members including a plurality of hinges connected thereto and for allowing said plurality of support members to be moved between folded and extended positions.

- 13. (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 12, wherein said fastening means comprises:
  - a magnet secured to said bottom surface of said at least one base member.
  - 14. (canceled)
- 15. (original) The vehicle alert kit of claim 12, wherein said flag extends outwardly and away from said support member when said edge portion is disposed within said receiving portion.